EXHIBIT "2"

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

NO. 09-1024

NAOMI C. SATTERWHITE,) DEPOSITION UPON
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Plaintiff,) ORAL EXAMINATION
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- vs -) OF
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY and) NAOMI C. SATTERWHITE
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURT)
OF COMMON PLEAS,)
) WAY = 5 2010
Defendants.)
) 14180-5644

TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOSITION, taken by and before DANIELLE N. COUGHLIN, Registered Professional Reporter and Notary Public, at the offices of MARSHALL, DENNEHEY, WARNER, COLEMAN & GOGGIN, 620 Freedom Business Center, Suite 300, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on Thursday, April 15, 2010, commencing at 10:03 a.m.

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1 A P P E A R A N C E S: 2 3 TIMOTHY M. KOLMAN AND ASSOCIATES BY: JAMIE JAMISON, ESQUIRE 4 414 Hulmeville Avenue Penndel, Pennsylvania 19047 5 Attorneys for the Plaintiff 6 7 MARSHALL, DENNEHEY, WARNER, COLEMAN & GOGGIN 8 BY: JOHN P. GONZALES, ESQUIRE 620 Freedom Business Center 9 Suite 300 King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406 10 Attorneys for the Defendants 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	1 (By agreement of counsel, the 2 sealing, filing, and certification of the 3 transcript has been waived; and all 4 objections, except as to the form of 5 the question, have been reserved until 6 the time of trial.) 7 8 NAOMI C. SATTERWHITE, after 9 having been duly sworn, was examined 10 and testified as follows: 11 12BY MR. GONZALES: 13Q Ms. Satterwhite, my name is John 14Gonzales. I represent Montgomery County, and we're 15here today to take your deposition, which is my 16opportunity to ask you questions under oath 17 regarding any information that you might have that 18 would be relevant to your lawsuit. 19 I know from your extensive background and 20 history as both a legal secretary and a judicial 21 secretary that a lot of this is going to be review, 22 and you certainly understand what a deposition is. 23 Um-hmm. 24 Q But, again, I'm just going to ask you a
1 INDEX 2 WITNESS PAGE 3 NAOMI C. SATTERWHITE 4 5 By: Mr. Gonzales 4 6 7 EXHIBITS 8 9 NUMBER DESCRIPTION MARKED ATTACHED 10 P-1 March 27, 2006 Letter 59 161 11 P-2 March 27, 2006 Memo 70 162 12 P-3 Letter 85 163 13 P-4 November 16, 2006 Letter 100 164 14 P-5 October 31, 2007 Letter 111 165 15 P-6 Employment Application 120 166 16 P-7 November 1, 2007 Letter 130 167 17 P-8 November 13, 2007 Letter 134 168 18 P-9 March 26, 2008 Letter 141 169 19 P-10 March 26, 2008 Letter 141 169 19 P-10 March 26, 2008 Letter 142 170 20 P-11 April 13, 2008 Letter 143 171 21 P-12 First Amended Civil 144 172 Action Complaint 22 P-13 Charge of Discrimination 147 173 23 24	1 couple of questions on the record to make sure that 2 the record is clear. 3 A Okay. 4 Q First, before I begin, I have a couple of 5 instructions. The first is to give a verbal 6 response to my questions so the court reporter can 7 take down your answers. Do you understand that 8 instruction? 9 A Yes. 10 Q All right. Second is, if you don't hear 11 or understand a question that I ask, just ask me to 12 rephrase it, because if you do answer the question, 13I will assume that you heard it and that you 14 understood it. Do you understand that instruction? 15 A Correct. I do. 16 Q Okay. Is there any reason why you would 17 not be able to testify truthfully today? 18 A None. 19 Q Have you taken any medication in the last 2024 hours? 21 A None. 22 Q Now, it's my understanding that within 23 the last week or two, you were in a — in an 24 automobile accident; is that correct?

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1 A Correct.	1 A Yes.
2 Q Now, in that accident, did you suffer any	² Q All right. Can you tell me where you
3 injuries? 4 A Yes.	3 live?
1	4 A 733 South Park Avenue, Audubon, PA
5 Q And can you just tell me briefly what	5 19403.
6 those injuries were?	6 Q And who do you live there with?
7 A The air bag exploded, hit my head and my	7 A My husband.
8 knees.	8 Q And his name is?
9 Q Did you go to the hospital?	9 A Robert; also my daughter-in-law and
10A Yes.	10 grandson.
11Q Were you treated at the hospital?	11Q How many children do you have?
12A X-rayed, told to take Tylenol, and	12A Two.
13 released.	13Q And what are their names and their ages?
14Q Okay. Did they tell you whether you	14A Oldest is Robert, Jr., age 50. Second is
15 suffered any type of head injury?	15 Kyle C., age 44.
16A Montgomery did not take a CAT scan or	16Q And your daughter-in-law's name is what?
17MRI, and that evening I began upchucking, didn't	17A Irene.
18 sleep well that night.	18Q And who is was she married to or is
The next morning, I had two incidences	19she married to?
20 where I got light-headed, so I called my family	20A She is no longer married to Robert.
21 physician. They had me to come in at 7:30 that	21Q Okay. And how old is your grandson?
22 evening, and Dr. Zeitzer immediately sent me to	22A He'll be 17 the 27th of this month.
23 Mercy Suburban to have a CAT scan, and the results	Now, is your husband is he working, or
24 of the CAT scan was that I do have a slight	24is he retired?
7	9
1 concussion.	1 A Retired.
2 Q Okay. Now, does that concussion did	2 Q And what did he do before he was retired?
3 you have any physical symptoms? You talked about	3 A He worked in construction.
4 the nausea and you weren't able to sleep the day of	4 Q How long has he been retired?
5 the accident. Since you were diagnosed with having	5 A 1995.
6 a slight concussion	6 Q What is your date of birth?
7 A I've had	
	⁷ A 10/5/36.
8 Q any other symptoms that you've	7 A 10/5/36. 8 Q And your Social Security number?
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10 12 1 Q It's not like you have a set schedule 1 occurred when you were hired as a tipstaff, and I 2 where you're going to work the first week of every 2 think you started in January of 2006? 3 month or --ЗА Correct. 4 A No. 40 All right. And you've been employed by 5 MS. JAMISON: Just make sure 5 the county in a part-time basis ever since that 6 when we go forward that you completely 6 January of 2006, correct? 7 let him finish asking the question before 7 A Correct. 8 you answer so she can take everything First as a tipstaff and now as the -- one 8 O 9 down. 9 of the on-call secretaries? 10 THE WITNESS: Gotcha. 10A Correct. 11BY MR. GONZALES: 110 When you were a full-time legal --12Q Who is your direct supervisor? 12 full-time judicial secretary for Judge Davenport --13A Carol Dillon. 13so this would have been before 2000. 140 Now, you and your attorney were kind 14A Um-hmm. 15enough to provide me with documents concerning your **15Q** - did the courthouse have a system in 16employment history and the issues that are at the 16 place to provide replacements or substitutes for 17heart of this case, so to move things along, I'm 17the secretaries when they were on vacation or out 18 just going to ask you some brief questions about 18sick? 19your employment history, and just tell me if I have 19A At that time, they had I think it was one 20it right or if I have it wrong. 20 person, and there were many instances when I would It's my understanding that you worked for 21 call or email the Court Services and give them 22Judge Davenport in his legal office from 1955 until 22ample time to know that I was in need of a 231976? 23secretary for a prescribed period of time. 24A Correct. 24 I would get a response that it would be 11 13 10 And then when Judge Davenport became a 1 taken care of, and usually when I took vacation, it 2 judge, you then were his legal -- or excuse me --2 would be for a two-week period of time. 3 his judicial secretary from 1976 until 2000? I would leave and come back and find that 4 A Correct. 4 I had only had an assigned secretary for one day, 5 Q And during that time, he was a sitting 5 and for the other nine days, it would be a tipstaff 6 judge. Then he became a senior judge, and then he 6 just sitting answering the phone. 7 retired; is that correct? 70 Did you ever have any discussions with 8 A Correct. 8 Judge Davenport about how that arrangement was 9 Q And all through that, the stages of his 9 working out? 10 judicial career, you were his secretary? 10A Oh, yes. He was not happy. As a 11A Correct. 11 settlement conference judge, he had many, many 120 Then after you retired in 2000, you 12 cases, and so, therefore, I would come back and 13returned to the county I believe in the summer of 13 find nine days of cases where if he had five cases 142002; is that correct? 14a day, files piled up; and when I did the 15A Correct. 15 settlement conference, I would schedule out four to 160 To work with Judges Vogel and Davenport? 16 six weeks, and so, therefore, when I'd come back, I 17A 17would start scheduling again, and I would have all 180 And you worked -- that was a part-time 18the nine days of cases piled up there. 19job, correct? 19 Then I would come in on that first day 20A Yes. 20 and the pile would get greater, but I worked 210 21through it because I was the kind of person that And then you worked for them until I 22think the end of 2002 when Judge Davenport retired? 22 did not do just 8:30 to 4:15. If I stayed till six 23A Correct. 23o'clock, I always liked my next day to start out 240 Then your next stint with the county 24 fresh.

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14 16 10 Now, after -- you said that during this 1 about me becoming a tipstaff because I was 2 time period before 2000, that there was only one 2 interested, and he would like for him to support 3 substitute secretary? 3 it. 4 A That I knew of. 40 Were you present when Judge Davenport --50 That you were aware of. 5 A Oh, yeah. 6 Do you know whether that person was a 60 -- made that phone call? 7 full-time employee or a part-time employee? 7 A Yes. 8 MS. JAMISON: Objection to the 80 So you could hear what Judge Davenport 9 form. You can answer. 9 was saying on the phone? 10 THE WITNESS: I am not certain. 10A Um-hmm, um-hmm. 11BY MR. GONZALES: 11Q You have to say yes or no. 12Q Okay. Now, I want to fast-forward to the 12A Yes. I'm sorry. Yes. 13fall of 2005, before you were hired as a tipstaff. 130 Okay. Tell me what you heard. 14A (Witness nods.) 14A Judge Davenport told Judge Corso that 15Q How did you find out, first of all, that 15 Naomi is here, and she is interested in becoming a 16there was a tipstaff job or -- well, let's start 16tipstaff, and she has come because I was asked to 17with the tipstaff. How did you find out there was 17call you and that she's interested and that there 18a tipstaff job available? 18is a long waiting list, and I guess -- I don't know 19A Well, I had - I have to back it up. 19what Judge Corso said, but that is when I heard 200 Um-hmm. 20from Judge Davenport. 21A I had seen in the Times Herald where the When Judge Davenport finished the phone 210 22 person -- Pat Veath and Debbie Rosetti had been 22call, did he tell you anything that Judge Corso 23terminated, and I then learned several months 23told him? 24 later -- that was, like, in July. Excuse me. 24A He said Judge Corso said okay. 15 17 Then I learned several months later that Okay. And what was the next thing that 2 Carol Dillon had gotten the position. I picked up 2 happened with respect to the tipstaff job? 3 the phone. I called Carol. I congratulated her on 3 A Okay. December the 21st, I got a phone 4 having received the position, and I told her that I 4 call asking if I was still interested in being a 5 thought I'd like to come back to the courthouse as 5 tipstaff. My response was yes. 6 a tipstaff. She told me what to do, go get my 6 Q Who called you? 7 application, complete it, and bring it in. This, I 7 A It was Sunny. 8 did. 8 Q And what did you tell her? 90 Where did you get the application from? 9 A Yes, and then she said I should report on 10A Human Resources. 10 January the 2nd to the Court Services office. 110 And who did you turn the application in 11Q So this would have been January 2nd --12to? 12A 2006. 13A Carol, and when I turned it in to her, 130 Okay. Now, let me just stop you there 14she asked me to have Judge Davenport to call Judge 14 and ask you this: Prior to the -- to Carol being 15 Corso because they had a waiting list. This was in 15 promoted to the position in the Court 16 November. 16Administrator's office --November of 2005? 170 17A Yes. 18A Yes. I then took a copy of the 180 -- did you know who she was? 19 application, went to Judge Davenport's home, spoke 19A Oh, I had a very wonderful, I thought, 20to him, and told him what Carol had told me, have 20 relationship with Carol. As a matter of fact, 21 Judge Corso call. 21 after I retired in 2000, I had eight of the It so happened he was about to call Judge 22 secretaries at my home for a luncheon, and Carol 23Corso on another matter. When they completed that 23 was one of the persons. 24 discussion, Judge Davenport then asked Judge Corso 240 Did you invite her, or she --

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1 A I invited her, yes.	1 A Yes.
2 Q And prior to her being promoted up to	2 Q And was it a pleasant experience with
3 Court Administration, about how often would you see	3 her?
4 her around the courthouse? I guess this would have	4 A Yes.
5 been back when you were working full-time with	5 Q Did you ever again, before she went
6 Judge Davenport.	6 into court administration, did you ever hear Carol
7 A You'd see her all the time, in and out.	7 make any racially derogatory comments about
8 Q And when she was she worked as a	8 African-American people?
9 judicial secretary as well, correct?	9 A No.
10A That's correct.	10Q Did you ever see Carol treat any
11Q And she worked for Judge Smyth, I	11African-American individuals inappropriately or in
12believe?	12 some type of discriminatory manner?
13A Smyth, correct.	13A No.
14Q Did and she was cordial to you?	MS. JAMISON: Objection to the
15A Always.	form. Can you just clarify the timing?
16Q And you were cordial to her?	16 MR. GONZALES: Yeah. And this
17A Always.	would be again while she was a secretary
18Q And did you ever hear her say anything	18 before she went into court
19negative about you?	19 administration.
20A Never.	20 THE WITNESS: No.
21Q Again, this is before she got into court	21BY MR. GONZALES:
22administration.	22Q Now, it's my understanding that Sunny is
23A Never.	23Carol's assistant?
24Q And did you ever say anything negative	24A Correct.
19	21
1 about her?	1 Q Now, did did you know Sunny when you
2 A No.	2 worked as a judicial secretary?
3 Q How about to any friends or coworkers?	3 A No.
4 Did you ever say anything negative about Carol to	4 Q When was the first time you ever met
5 others?	5 Sunny?
6A No.	6 A When I went there to be a tipstaff.
7 Q Okay. Now, how about outside of work?	7 Q Had you ever heard about anything
8 Did you ever socialize with Carol outside of work?	8 about Sunny be —
9 A When we had Christmas parties, judicial	9 A No.
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26 28 1 ves. 1 to go, it was a waste of the money for the county Okay. And I'll follow up with your 2 Q 2 for me to have to come in for a half day, and I 3 attorney about that. 3 would, therefore, ask the supervisor for being off. 4 A Sure, um-hmm. There were times that she didn't think 50 When you got this document that explained 5 that I would be taking off, but if there's no work, 6 what the requirements of the job of tipstaff was, 6 there was no reason for me to be wasting county 7 did you get a chance to read it? 7 money. 8 A Not then, no. 8 Q Right, and I saw that in some of the 9 Q Not before you went to your first 9 materials. There's some memos that discuss some 10 assignment? 10 incidents. I'm sure you're very familiar with 11A 11them. 12Q When you went to the tipstaff office, 12A Um-hmm. 13were there other tipstaffs there? 130 But you said that things changed, so to 14A Yes. We called it the -- we call that 14me, that implied that it changed for all of the 15 room going to the pool. 15 tipstaffs? 16Q The pool. Okay. 16A That's correct. 17A Um-hmm. 170 Okay. So as a result of your speaking to 180 It's sort of like a rollcall room where 18 your supervisors about not wasting county money 19 everybody comes and gets their assignments and 19 sitting around in the pool room, did the policy, 20 goes? 20 the work schedule, change for the tipstaffs? 21A It's where you come in, you get your 21A No. no. 22 assignment, because the assignment is done on a 220 Okay. 23sheet, and they just sit there. They talk. They 23A The change, as I understand, came from 24eat food, whatever. It's like you're having a good 24 upstairs. 27 29 1 time with your coworkers before you get down to the 10 Upstairs meaning court administration or 2 real business. 2 PJ? You said that tipstaffs work one month Court Services. I don't specifically 4 on, one month off? 4 know where the change came from, but I did hear 5 A Um-hmm. 5 that you -- if you're not assigned, you don't come 60 How about during the workday itself? Do 6 in now. 7 they work a full day typically, or how does it 7 Q Okay. Do you know when that policy went 8 work? 8 into effect? 9 A At one time, we all worked a full day, 9 A No, I don't, really. 108:30 to 12, no pay for an hour lunch, one to 4:15. 100 Okay. All right. So on that first day, 11Q Okay. You said "at one time." Did that 11 you get your sheet of paper that tells you what the 12change? 12 requirements are, and you're sent to your 13A Yes. As I understand, it has changed. 13 assignment with the more experienced tipstaff, 140 Did it change while you were a tipstaff? 14 correct? 15A It was changing. 15A Correct. 160 What does that mean? Was it understood or was it ever 160 17A There were times when if a judge was 17 explained to you that the reason you were going 18down, courtroom was down, and he had -- and it was 18 with another tipstaff was so that that other 19your courtroom, then you had to sit in the pool 19 tipstaff could help sort of teach you the ropes of 20that day meaning sit in a room where there's nobody 20 what was expected of you? 21else and wait and hope that you get an assignment. 21A Yes, yes. I was the kind of person that I felt that 220 You hesitated. 23if my courtroom is going to be down and I am not 23A I hesitated because when I first heard 24needed and a supervisor had no other place for me 24 what -- the reason for the tipstaff, I thought,

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1 God, I've been around here all these years. I	1 A Not in the chambers.	
2 pretty much know what to do, but this is the	2 Q When I say "chambers," that's a misnomer.	
3 assignment I have, and so I will go, no problem.	3 I mean in the courtroom. If you were working, for	
4 Q Well, did you tell Dolly that, that	4 example, in Judge Albright's courtroom the first	
5 you	5 week of January, but then the second week of	
6 A No, no.	6 January you're in Judge Moore's courtroom, you	
7 Q Wait until I finish asking the question.	7 would have different tipstaffs working with you; is	
8 MS. JAMISON: You've got to let	8 that correct?	
9 him finish.	9 A Correct.	
10BY MR. GONZALES:	10Q All right. It wasn't like there was one	
11Q Did you ever tell Dolly that because of	11tipstaff who was taking you under their wing and	
12the years of experience you had as a secretary, you	12would follow you from assignment to assignment,	
13didn't need assistance from another tipstaff?	13correct?	
14A Of course not. I would never do that. I	14A Correct.	
15was there to follow the rules.	15Q Now, during that 90-day probationary	
16Q Did you ever tell anyone that you felt	16period, were you ever asked to answer phones in the	
17that because of your years of experience in the	17chambers of a particular judge?	
18courthouse, that you didn't need to have another	18A Yes.	
19tipstaff telling you what to do?	19Q Oh, you were. Okay. And how often did	
20A No, I did not.	20that happen?	
21Q Would you have another tipstaff assigned	21A Well, I know my first assignment was	
22to you every day, or were there some days where you	22January the 31st, and that was with Judge Moore.	
23were on your own?	23Q Okay. And how — how long did you answer	
You know what? Let me clarify that for	24phones for Judge Moore during that assignment?	
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1 you. I'm sorry. Because it's my understanding	1 A For that day.	
2 that this was only at the beginning during your	2 Q And about how often were you assigned to	
3 probationary period is when you would have somebody	3 answer the phones as a tipstaff in chambers?	
4 with you; is that right?	4 A Whenever there was a need.	
5 A That's correct.	5 Q Can you give me an estimate about how	
6 Q And then after you completed your	6 many times that may have been?	
7 probationary period, you were on your own	7 MS. JAMISON: During the	
8 basically?	8 probationary period?	
9 A Correct.	9 MR. GONZALES: During the	
10Q Okay. So this question is basically	10 probationary period.	
11during the probationary period. Was there ever an	11 THE WITNESS: And the	
12occasion where you did not have another tipstaff in	12 probationary period was a three-month	
13the courtroom with you?	13 period, and I only worked no, I worked	
14A No.	each month during that three-month	
15Q Did you always have the same tipstaff	15 period. I am not completely sure.	
16assigned to work with you?	16BY MR. GONZALES:	
17A If the assignment was for a week and it	17Q Well, I don't want you to guess, and your	
18was the same courtroom, then yes.	18 attorney I'm sure	
19Q But if you changed from week to week	19A I'm not going to guess.	
20 for example, if in the first week you were in Judge	20Q Let me ask you this: Did you keep	
21Albright's chambers, but in the second week, you	21 records? Because I know you kept a very careful	
22were in Judge Moore's chambers, it's possible that	22log or calendar of things.	
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23you would have had different tipstaffs working with	23A Yes.	

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34 36 1 answering phones as opposed to just a tipstaff in a 1 A No. 2 courtroom? 20 Did you ever hear Peggy use any racially ЗА Yes. 3 derogatory language? 40 Okay. So if I were to look at your 4 A No. 5 calendar that you had already produced, I should be 50 Did you ever see Peggy treat any 6 able to see when you answer the phones, and if it's 6 African-American individuals inappropriately or in 7 not on that calendar, then you didn't answer the 7 a discriminatory manner? 8 phones? 8 A No. 9 A That's correct. 9 Q So how did things go in January? 100 Okay. Now, you had said something in 10 MS. JAMISON: Objection to the 11 your previous answer that I want to clarify. 11 form. What do you mean, how did things 12Typically a tipstaff works one month on, one month 12 go? Vague guestion. 13off, but during your probationary period, you 13 MR. GONZALES: It is a vague 14 worked the three months in a row, correct? 14 question, but it's purposely supposed to 15A Correct. 15 be vague. 160 16BY MR. GONZALES: So for two of those months, your 17 supervisor was Dolly Strizziere, correct? 170 How did work go in January? How was your 18A Yes. 18 interaction with the other tipstaffs, with the 190 And then one of those months -- I guess 19 court staffs? I mean, you were getting back in the 20it would be February -- your supervisor would have 20 courthouse for the first time in several years. 21been Peggy Berger, correct? 21 How did it go for you? 22A Correct. 22A Many of the tipstaffs I knew because they 230 Because they're the two supervisors of 23had been of service to me. 24the tipstaffs, right? 240 Um-hmm. 35 37 1 A Correct. 1 A When Judge Davenport was a judge, not a 2 Q Dolly has -- don't they break them into, 2 senior judge, because when he became a senior 3 like, A and B? 3 judge, we only had two -- three tipstaffs that 4 A Correct. 4 worked for us. Other than that -- okay. I'm 5 Q And which one were you on? 5 trying to think about the month where there was a 6 A I was on the B Team. 6 problem. There was a joke, a racial sexual joke. 7 Q That's it, team. So B Team is Dolly, and 7 Q And, again, maybe to help you out, my 8 A Team is Peggy? 8 understanding is, looking at the materials that you 9 A Um-hmm. 9 already provided, that that was in February. 10Q You have to say yes or no. 10A Okay. 11A 11Q I think February 20th of 2006, because 120 Now, let's talk about Peggy Berger a 12Peggy was the supervisor, and so that's why I asked 13 little bit. 13you that question, because when I looked through 14A Yes. 14 your materials, the first incident or, you know, 150 How long had you known Peggy Berger 15thing that I saw in your paperwork was an incident 16before January of 2006? 16in February of 2006, so that's why I asked you 17A 17about January. For as long as I worked at the courthouse 18 and she worked at the courthouse. She worked in 18A Okay. 19the prothonotary's office. 190 I didn't see anything in your materials 200 Okay. And did you get along with Peggy? 20that stuck out about what happened in January. 21A Very well. 21A 220 I'll ask you the same questions I asked 22Q Anybody treat you inappropriately in 23 about Carol and Dolly. Had you ever seen Peggy 23 January? 24 treat anyone inappropriately? 24A No.

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1 Q Okay. Anybody use any racial slurs with	1 A That's correct.
2 you in January of 2006?	2 Q And where were you?
3 A No.	3 A I was walking into the tipstaff office.
4 Q Anybody circulate racial or ethnic	4 Q Were you walking into the tipstaff office
5 inappropriate well, strike that.	5 with anyone else?
6 Did anybody circulate any type of ethnic	6 A By myself.
7 joke in January of 2006 —	7 Q Was anyone in the tipstaff office when
8 A No.	8 you got there?
9 Q whether it's about Italians or	9 A It was full of people.
10 African-Americans or Polish or anything like that?	10Q All right. Tell me what happened.
11A No.	11A Okay. I walked in, and I saw three black
12Q Did you complain to anyone in the	12women sitting one, two, three, and they were not in
13 courthouse about being treated inappropriately in	13their normal mood, and I looked at them, and I
14 January of 2006?	14said, "What's going on?"
15A No.	And each looked at the other, and then
16Q All right. Now let's move into February	16 finally one said, "There was a joke told in here."
17 of 2006. Now we're switching. You're going from	17 I said, "What kind of joke?"
18 the B Team of Dolly. Now you're working with	18 They said, "A racial sexual joke."
19Peggy's A Team, correct, in February of 2006?	19 I said, "Well, where is it? Let me see
20A That's correct.	20it.
21Q All right. So now we have a whole new	21 "We don't have it."
22group of tipstaffs?	22 I said, "Well, then somebody get it."
23A That's right.	23 So Pat Waldrop asked the person who had,
24Q Okay. All right. So again I looked	24in fact, read the joke, and her name was I call
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1 A She told me that she did not like it.	1 communication, so to speak, you know, actual
2 Q Okay. And I think one of the other women	2 communications you had with people in Court
3 was Pearlie May?	3 Services or your supervisor about this joke.
4 A That's right.	4 You said Sunny later told you that it had
5 Q Did she tell you what she thought about	5 been taken care of?
6 the joke?	6 A Um-hmm.
7 A She did not like it.	7 Q That's a yes?
8 Q And she told you that?	8 A Yes.
9 A Yes.	9 Q Okay. Where was she when she told you
10Q Okay. Do you know who the third woman	10 that? Do you know?
11was?	11A It was in a hallway, but I don't remember
12A Yes, Margie Scott.	12 now what hallway.
13Q And did she tell you what she thought	13Q Did she give you any details or tell you
14about the joke?	14 anything more specific than it had been taken care
15A She did not like it.	15of?
16Q All right. Okay. So Pat gave you the	16A No.
17photocopy	17Q Did you ask her how it had been taken
18A Yes.	18 care of?
19Q of the joke?	19A No.
20A Yes.	20Q Did you tell Sunny that you felt that
21Q And what did you do at that point?	21that was inappropriate or that you were not
22A I immediately took it up to Carol's	22 satisfied with it being taken care of?
23 office in Court Services, gave it to Sunny, and	23A No.
24 when I walked in, Sunny could see across my face	24Q After Sunny, did you speak with Carol
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1 something was bothering me, and she said, "What's	1 about that joke?
2 wrong?"	2 A No.
3 I handed her the joke, and I said, "This	3 Q Did you speak with it would have been
4 should not be in the workplace." Sunny agreed and	4 Peggy Berger who was the supervisor of Team A. Did
5 told me that they would take care of it.	5 you speak with Peggy Berger about the joke?
6 Q Did you and Sunny say anything else to	6A No.
7 each other at that time?	7 Q After that day, did any tipstaffs
8 A Sunny asked me where did it come from.	8 circulate racial jokes?
9 Q What did you tell her?	9 MS. JAMISON: Objection to the
10A I told her I was told it was from Jean	10 form.
11Milos, M-I-L-O-S.	MR. GONZALES: That you were
12Q Anything else?	12 aware of.
13A With that, I left and went on to my	13 MS. JAMISON: Thank you. 14 THE WITNESS: No.
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1 that several of the men heard the joke, came and	1 coworkers.
2 apologized to her about it. They felt very badly.	2 Q When did you hear that?
3 Q When you say "men," did you	3 A Right from the beginning.
4 A Men tipstaffs.	4 Q Okay. And were these just she was a
5 Q And that's what you understood her to be	5 problem toward other African-American tipstaffs or
6 referring to?	6 just
7 A Yes.	7 A No, all people.
8 Q Okay. What else did you hear?	8 MS. JAMISON: Wait until he
9 A That's pretty much it.	9 finishes. Slow down.
10Q Did you ever have any conversations with	10 MR. GONZALES: That's okay.
11Jean Milos about the joke?	11 Everybody does it.
12A Of course not, no.	12BY MR. GONZALES:
13Q Okay. Did she ever have any	13Q When you heard this about Norma, were
14conversations with you about the joke?	14 people talking about how she was a problem just
15A No.	15 toward African-American tipstaffs, or was she just
16Q Do you know whether Pearlie May or Pat	16sort of a problem to everybody?
17Waldrop or Margie Scott ever spoke to Jean Milos	17A A problem to everybody.
18about the joke?	18Q Okay. All right. So Norma Prinzo.
19A No, I do not know.	19A All right. So I was assigned to Judge
20Q Were you aware of any other discussion	20 Furber's courtroom with Norma Prinzo.
21about the joke after hearing what happened through	
22the grapevine and speaking to Sunny?	21Q Was this the first time you were assigned 22to a courtroom with Ms. Prinzo?
23A No.	
24Q Now, since that time I asked about I	The same of the sa
47	24 was in March.
1 guess racial jokes have you heard about any	1 Q I got it because you wrote it down.
2 ethnic jokes being circulated or spoken about among 3 the tipstaffs?	2 That's why I have it.
4 A No.	3 A Good.
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4 Q I have it as March 21st. Does that sound
5 Q No jokes about Italians or Polish? 6 A No.	5 right?
1	6 A That sounds about right.
7 Q Were there any other incidents that you 8 can recall that occurred in February of 2006 that	7 Q So let's do it this way: So March 21st,
	8 2006, you are assigned to Judge Furber's courtroom
9 were out of the ordinary or that you felt were	9 along with Norma Prinzo, correct?
10inappropriate in any way? 11A No.	10A Correct.
	11Q You're still in your probationary period
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	12at this time, correct?
13 sort of tour of duty with Peggy's Team A, A Team,	13A Correct.
14 and now we're back to now we're in March of	14Q What time were you supposed to go there
152006, and you're back with Dolly's B Team, correct?	15to his courtroom? Do you remember?
16A Correct.	16A Be there by 8:30.
17Q All right. Anything happen in March?	17Q Typical starting time?
18A Yes.	18A Yes.
19Q What happened?	19Q All right. When you got to well, when
20A Norma Prinzo after arriving as a	20 was the first time you saw Norma that day?
21 tipstaff, many of the tipstaffs had told me that	21A In the courtroom.
22 Norma Prinzo was a problem, that many of them just	
23had to bite their tongue because she was Dolly's	23in the pool area?
24dear friend and that she did not know how to treat	24A No.

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All right. Did you have a normal routine 2 of what you would do when you would first get to a

3 courtroom, or did it change based on the judge and 4 what was happening?

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Well, my policy was that whenever I was 6 assigned to a courtroom, I always went to the 7 tipstaff, the seasoned tipstaff, first to find out 8 what he or she wanted me to do. I didn't want to 9 overstep their -- my bounds. Okay?

And I asked Norma did she want the 11 pitchers filled. She grunted at me. So I went on 12 and did the pitchers. I asked her about the 13 glasses. I got another grunt.

140 You mean whether the glasses needed to be 15 cleaned or anything?

16A No. The glasses -- it is a policy the 17 glasses must be cleaned the night before at the end 18 of each day. Okay? So you start with clean 19 glasses every morning.

20 Well, after that, I went and took a seat, 21 and she took a seat and began to talk with Trish 22 Kaplan who was -- who is a court clerk. The court 23 clerk who was assigned to Judge Furber was Liz 24 Orio. Okay?

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So I sat in the chair on the floor just 2 before you go into the judge's chambers. Norma sat 3 up in the -- in the seats where the jurors sit, 4 and --

5 Q I'm sorry. Do you remember what 6 courtroom? Was this Judge Furber's typical 7 courtroom in the front of the --

8 A Yes, on the side there, yeah.

9 Q Okay.

·And so the rest of the morning, Judge 10A 11 Furber was in and out of chambers. Norma totally 12 ignored me and sat with her back to me talking to 13Trish. I heard the whole conversation, but it 14 didn't bother me.

150 Was she talking about you?

16A No.

17Q Okay.

18A She was not. Then it was near lunchtime. 19 Norma comes down out of the jury box, walks to the 20table, and looks back at me and points her finger 21 and says, "I'm taking these files downstairs. You 22 will take that file across the street." I looked 23at her and smiled.

24 So I go on to lunch. When I returned 1 from lunch, I waited and then I asked Liz Orio, the 2 court clerk, if she had any other files to go over

3 to Domestic Relations or whether she was expecting 4 the return of any files from Domestic Relations,

5 and she told me no, and I told her, "Well, I'm 6 leaving now," and that was after one o'clock.

7 So I went over, dropped the file off at 8 Domestic Relations, and went up to the fourth floor 9 to the senior suites, saw Judge Davenport and Jane 10Goldey, and I took my time and talked to them.

The reason I did that, I felt since I was 12a ghost that morning for Norma, I may as well 13become a real ghost and disappear, so I stayed gone 14 for about an hour, and I came back, and when she 15came in from wherever she was, she got in my face 16and she says, "Where were you?" I smiled. I 17didn't answer her, and shortly thereafter, she 18left, so I finished up in the courtroom.

19 The next morning, I came in. I said to 20my supervisor, "Dolly" — I said, "Dolly, I want 21you to give me another assignment because I will 22not go back into the courtroom and be treated today 23the way I was treated yesterday.

24 "Oh, you just have to ignore."

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I said, "No, no. I've never been treated 2 this way in all the years that I have worked."

So she did give me another assignment, 4 and I thought about this, and it took me a couple 5 days, and I thought, you know what? This is not 6 good. Everybody's been telling me that she treats 7 people badly. I've never done anything to this 8 woman, and for her to have treated me like I was a 9 nothing in a courtroom, I don't have to tolerate 10this.

11 So I wrote her a letter with a copy to 12Dolly, and when I gave it to her that morning, I 13gave a copy -- I gave Dolly a copy of the letter, I 14 gave Norma the original of the letter, and I took a 15copy up to Carol's office; and when I gave Dolly 16the copy, she says, "Oh, you just have to learn to 17ignore things." I just turned around and walked 18away.

19 I saw Carol several days later, and I 20 asked her had she spoken to Norma. She said yes, 21that Norma told her, "Well, she's not a warm and 22 fuzzy kind of person."

23 I told Carol, "Well, I don't come to work 24to be warm and fuzzy. I come to do a job and to

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